

## DELAYING ADJOURNMENT.

ANOTHER FLOOD OF FREE-SILVER TALK  
THREATENED.

CONSTITUTIONAL ORATORY DESIGNED TO INFLUENCE  
POLITICAL PLATFORMS—IT IS BELIEVED.  
HOWEVER, THAT THE FIRST WEEK  
OF JUNE WILL BRING THE  
END OF THIS SESSION  
OF CONGRESS.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

Washington, May 14.—Vague hints have been given during the last few days by several of the leading Republican Senators that an early adjournment of Congress, or at least as early as the end of the month, may not be forthcoming. Senators Dubs and Carter are authority for the statement that a discussion of the financial condition of the country is likely to be precipitated after the adjournment of the session until after the adjournment of the two political conventions, in the belief that Senatorial oratory on behalf of the free coinage is likely to influence the platforms of the conventions and the action of the delegates to the national conventions. It is hinted that the further issue of bonds by the Government without Congressional sanction is to be made the text upon which the flood of free coinage oratory is to be deluged the Senate, and the old straw is to be rethrewed in the Senate chamber.

A QUORUM IMPOSSIBLE TO HOLD.  
The history of Congressional sessions has shown that it has been impossible to hold together a quorum of either house after the adjournment of the session. This fact is so well known that those interested in legislation concede the postponement of the session until after the adjournment of the session. The delay in the passage of the River and Harbor bill, it is probable, will delay adjournment until the end of the first week of June at least, when the Constitutional period given to the President in which to sign, veto or refuse to sign the measure will have expired. Meantime opportunity will be afforded for the discussion of such measures as the Republican Steering Committee may agree to bring before the Senate. It is not unlikely that another debate on the bond resolution will be precipitated, but it is extremely unlikely that it will be permitted to protract the session beyond the completion of the appropriation bills. The session of the Senate until adjournment will be occupied in debate on the appropriation bills which have not yet passed, in the consideration of conference reports and the discussion of such bills on the calendar as may be brought up under the rules and such measures as may be pressed by special vote.

## WORK OF THE HOUSE FINISHED.

The House in the mean time, under the guidance of Speaker Reed, will engage itself in killing time on important measures, on all of which the full opportunity for discussion and debate will be afforded. Speaker Reed and the Committee on Rules are naturally anxious for an early adjournment. The House has practically completed its work, and has passed a resolution declaring for adjournment on Monday next. Every day between the present and the date of adjournment offers opportunity and is filled with opportunity for the consideration of bills in which members are interested, carrying appropriations of larger or smaller amounts and enacting further drafts on the Treasury.

## SPEAKER REED IS DETERMINED TO EXERCISE TO THE

fullest degree the repressive power of non-recognition in preventing consideration of such measures. From now on until adjournment it will be a constant struggle between Representatives and the Speaker to ward off consideration of such measures, and a constant fight on the part of Mr. Dingley, chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, and Mr. Cannon, chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, to intercept every possible obstacle to the passage of bills increasing the appropriations already made by Congress.

## A REPUBLICAN SENATE CAUCUS CALLED.

The Republicans of the Senate will hold a caucus to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock, for the purpose of considering the subject of adjournment. The call was circulated by Mr. Chandler, and was generally signed by those who were opposed to the repeal of the free alcohol clause of the Tariff bill, which Mr. Sherman and several other Republicans are anxious to secure. It is said that the caucus will endeavor to reach a conclusion on the subject of adjournment and the repeal of the free alcohol clause of the Tariff bill before the adjournment of the session. The general impression prevails that final adjournment can be had in the first week in June without trouble or inconvenience.

## THE REPEAL MEASURE WILL MEET STRONG

OPPOSITION IN THE HOUSE.  
Washington, May 14 (Special).—An effort is to be made to pass through the House of Representatives the bill to repeal the free alcohol clause of the Tariff bill, which exempts from internal taxation alcohol used in manufacturing industries. There is reason to believe that this effort will encounter sharp and sturdy opposition from members who believe that the provision is a wise one, and who are strongly of the opinion that the failure to execute it is not due to any inherent difficulty in the law itself so much as to the inactivity of the Secretary of the Treasury in carrying out the provisions of the law.

## FOR A LINCOLN MONUMENT AT GETTYSBURG.

Washington, May 14 (Special).—Senator Hansbrough, of North Dakota, chairman of the Joint Committee on the Library of the two Houses of Congress, reported to-day in the Senate a bill which has for its object the erection of a statue of Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg, the whole amount of \$100,000 to be appropriated for the purpose. The bill carries an appropriation of \$100,000 for the erection of a statue of Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg, the whole amount of \$100,000 to be appropriated for the purpose. The bill carries an appropriation of \$100,000 for the erection of a statue of Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg, the whole amount of \$100,000 to be appropriated for the purpose.

## LITURARY TEST FOR IMMIGRANTS.

Washington, May 14.—The Senate bill to restrict immigration by the application of the literacy test was the occasion for the delivery in the Senate to-day of two speeches, one against and one for the bill. Mr. Gibson (Dem., Md.) spoke in opposition, and Mr. Nelson (Rep., Minn.) in advocacy of the bill. Mr. Gibson attributed the instigation of the bill to the American Protective Association, which he

## WASHINGTON NEWS NOTES.

## THE ADOPTION OF AN INTERNATIONAL

## COIN FAVORED.

## ACCEPTANCE OF THE MARQUETTE STATUE DIS-

## CUSSED—THE SEASON'S CATCH OF SEALS—

## NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT—DES-

## IGNS FOR THE SHERMAN STATUE.

## Washington, May 14.—The House Committee on

## Coinage, Weights and Measures to-day offered a fa-

## vorable report on the joint resolution of Charles W.

## McClure, of Pennsylvania, authorizing preliminary

## proceedings looking to the adoption of international

## coins. The measure as agreed to reads as follows:

## "That the President be authorized and requested to

## invite, through our diplomatic representatives, an

## expression of opinion from the other principal

## commercial nations of the world as to the desirability

## and feasibility of the adoption of international coins

## to be current in all the countries adopting the same

## at a uniform value, and to be specially adapted to

## the purpose of facilitating the expressions thus ob-

## tained from other nations as such as in the judg-

## ment of the President render an international

## conference desirable, then he is hereby authorized to

## designate, to consider the report to the several

## Governments joining in such conference a plan or

## plans for the adoption and use of common interna-

## tional coins, composed of gold or silver, or both;

## and if such conference shall recommend the adop-

## tion of such coins, the President is authorized to

## submit the same to Congress, subject to confirma-

## tion by the Senate, for whose ratification and

## execution provision shall be hereafter made." The

## vote on the resolution was unanimous.

## The Marquette statue, which was presented by

## the State of Wisconsin to the Government two

## months ago, was the subject of a discussion by the

## House Library Committee at its meeting to-day.

## The committee had before it the concurrent resolu-

## tion which passed the Senate on April 23, accepting

## the statue and tendering the thanks of Congress to

## the people of Wisconsin for the gift. On motion of

## Mr. Cummings (Dem., N. Y.), who is one of the

## three members of the committee, the others being

## Mr. Quigg (Rep., N. Y.) and the chairman, Mr.

## Hammer (Rep., Penn.), the resolution was referred

## to Mr. Quigg to investigate the procedure in such

## cases, and to report to the full committee at the

## earliest opportunity. The object of Mr. Cummings

## in suggesting the investigation was to have the

## committee informed of what Congress had done in

## the past in such cases, and to have the committee

## especially advised as to the House's duty in such

## cases, and in the same manner. No exceptional or

## sensational course will be considered.

## Secretary Carlisle has authorized Mr. Crowley, agent

## of the United States at the Seal Islands, to permit

## the North American Commercial Company to take

## as the season's catch not to exceed 200,000 male seals,

## if, in his judgment, the herd arrives as many as

## can be taken without injury to the herd. The limit

## of the catch last season was 15,000.

## The President issued a warrant to-day for the

## surrender to the authorities of Ernest Goetz,

## a Hamburg bank clerk, held in Philadelphia on a

## charge of forgery. It is alleged that Goetz secured

## about \$20,000 from the Hamburg bank through forged

## checks.

## The cruiser Minneapolis, temporary flagship of the

## European Naval Station, arrived at Cronstadt to-

## day from Southampton with Admiral Selbridge on

## board. The Admiral and his staff will proceed to

## Moscow to attend the coronation of the Czar.

## The President to-day sent to the Senate the fol-

## lowing nominations: Ernest A. Man, of Florida, to

## be Consul at Bergen, Norway; Robert Hanson, of

## Oregon, to be Consul at St. Petersburg, Russia; and

## the Senate of the United States in Mexico.

## The Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia

## to-day heard argument on the appeal of Mrs. Mary

## Kempie Black, late of New Jersey, from the decision

## of Judge Hagner, who enjoined her from prosecuting

## the habeas corpus proceedings instituted by her for the

## recovery of her two children. Mrs. Black's appeal

## is based on the fact that the children were taken

## from her by a man who is alleged to be a

## member of the same family. The argument will occupy two days.

## Buttons with the miniature picture of Secretary

## Carlisle upon them, and bearing the inscription:

## "For President, John G. Carlisle," have appeared

## here and are being conspicuously worn by Ken-

## tuckians.

## Designs from the American sculptors, P. W. Bart-

## lett, living in Paris; J. M. Rhind, B. H. Mehus, of

## New-York, and B. Smith, of Chicago, for an eque-

## strian statue of General W. T. Sherman, to be erect-

## ed in Washington, are awaiting action of a commit-

## tee appointed to make a selection, to-morrow being

## the day when the committee will meet. The statu-

## ettes are already in place, and the fourth will be

## ready when the committee is. General Miles, of

## California, is in the city, but the other two

## members, Secretary Carlisle and General Dodge,

## are not expected here before Monday.

## As a result of the findings of a court of inquiry

## into the circumstances attending the disabling of a

## gun-mount on the cruiser Montgomery, Secretary

## Herbert has censured Lieutenant Charles H. Lyman

## and Ensign Charles T. Jewell for negligence in fail-

## ing to see that the gun-mount of the cruiser was

## properly secured. The court reported that "no further

## judicial proceedings should be had in the matter."

## The President has approved the act revising and

## re-enacting the act authorizing the construction of

## a free bridge across the Arkansas River, connecting

## Little Rock and Argenta; the act to regulate mar-

## keting in the District of Columbia, and the act for

## the payment of the pay and bounty claim of Ensign

## John J. Hays, late of the United States Volunteer In-

## fantry.

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## LITTLE CHANCE OF A DECISION ON THE

## MERITS OF THE QUESTION.

## A MOTION TO POSTPONE WILL BE IN ORDER TO-

## DAY, AND THE CASE MAY GO OVER

## UNTIL NEXT WINTER.

## (BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

## Washington, May 14.—According to the unanim-